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An Act Granting Pardon to Timothy Church

Whereas Timothy Church late of Brattleborough has been found guilty of Treason against this State, & banished Therefrom not to return on pain of Death, and all his estate both real and personal confiscated to and for the use of this State, And whereas the said Church has petitioned this Legislature for pardon setting forth his sincere and hearty repentance, and determination to behave orderly, and submissive in case of Pardon, and as this Legislature is disposed to extend clemency to the unfortunate and are made to believe the said Church's penitence is sincere.

Be it Therefore enacted &c

That Timothy Church late of Brattleborough, be and he is hereby pardoned Pardoned, and discharged from the Sentence passed against him in the Superior Court holden at Westminster in September last, on his paying all the cost of such Suit, and his confinement in consequence thereof. State of Vermont.

In General Assembly. Feb. 21st 1783.

The aforesaid Act was and passed the House.

Attest Robert Hopkins. Clerk.

In Council Feb. 22d 1783.

The above Bill was read and concurred with.

Attest: Jonas Fay Secy. P.T.

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To the Hon. Samuel Fletcher Esqr. one of the Councillors of the State of Vermont, James Edward Smith Constable of New Fane in the County of Windham and upon his oath of Office, complains that on the 6th day of November instant at New-Fane aforesaid Francis Prouty of Brattleborough aforesaid. Daniel Howe of Brattleborough aforesaid. Johnathan Dunkley of Brattleborough aforesaid, Samuel Noble of Brattleborough aforesaid Ephraim Bragg of Brattleborough aforesaid, Ephrain Rice of Brattleborough aforesaid Johnathan Stoddard of Brattleborough aforesaid Isaac Kendall of Brattleborough aforesaid: & Lieut. Crosby of Brattleborough aforesaid, and John Wheeler, and other persons to your complainant unknown, in warlike manner arrayed to wit: With Clubs Guns, Swords, Pistols & Bayonets riotously, routously, and unlawfully assembled together to the intent to seize, imprison, and convey, without the Jurisdiction of this State, Luke ——— Esqr. of New-Fane aforesaid, a liege Subject of this State, and then and there being so assembled as aforesaid in manner as aforesaid, unlawfully, riotously, routously, the dwelling house of the said Luke in New-Fane aforesaid, beat and forcibly entered and the said Luke then and there imprisoned and from New-Fane aforesaid, without the Jurisdiction of this state to wit; into the commonwealth of Massachusetts unlawfully, riotously, and routously, did convey, against the peace and contrary to the form of the Statute in such case provided, Wherefore the said Edward prays Process may be issued against the Persons above mentioned for apprehending them, and that they may be further dealt with'al according to Law.

Dated at New-Fane the 18th of November 1789.

Edward Smith

State of Vermont

To the Sheriff of Windham County his deputy or either of the Constables of New-Fane in said County, (except Edward Smith above mentioned) Greeting. In the name and by the authority of the Freemen of the State of Vermont, you are hereby required forthwith to apprehend the several persons before named as delinquents and them bring before me or some other Justice of the Peace having Jurisdiction within the County of Windham to answer unto the foregoing

complaint and further to be dealt with according to Law
and for so doing this shall be your Warrant, Hereof fail not
and make return according to Law

Dated at New-Fane the 16th day of
November 1789

Samuel Fletcher ~~assistant~~

You are likewise to summon Hezikiah Boyden forthwith to
appears at Benjamin Ins.,

In obedience to the within Warrent I have apprehended Thomas
Whipple, and have him in Custody.
Nov. 18th. 1789. Joshua Davis. Constable.

Services 2/6. Travil /
And likewise John Wheeler of New Fane
Travil and Services 2/6

Assistants 8/0 for taking Thomas Whipple
Assistants 8/0 for taking John Wheeler
November. 24th. 1789

In obedience to the within
Warrant I have taken the Body of Darius Wheeler, John Wheeler,
Spencer for his appearance before General Fletcher in Thursday
the 24th. of Jan. at Townshend

pr me. Joshua Davis. Constable.

Travil and Services 1/6

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An Act to enable the Gov. and Council to pardon certain Persons therein described.

Whereas certain Persons in the County of Windham have lately been convicted before the Supreme Court of this State of conspiring & attempting an invasion, Insurrection, and public rebellion against this State contrary to the form of a Statute of this State passed in June last, entitled, An Act for the Punishment of Conspiracies against the Peace, Liberty & Independence of this State, and have been banished therefor, And Whereas, it is suggested that some of said Persons are penitent and desirous of returning to their Duty & it is probable during the recess of this House some of the said Persons will petition for the pardon of their said offences.

This Assembly being desirous at all times of shewing mercy when it can be done consistent with the public safety

Be it therefore enacted &c

That his Excellency the Gov. and the Honble. the Council of this State be, and they hereby fully are authorised and empowered upon application to them made during the adjournment of this Assembly, to pardon any of the said Persons who have been banished from this State by the Supreme Court as aforesaid in as full and ample a manner as this Assembly could do if convened.

State of Vermont.

In Gen.l Assembly Feb. 24th 1783.

The above Act was read and passed the House.

Attest. Robert Hopkins. Clerk.

In Council Windsor Feb. 24th. 1783.

Read and concurred with. Jonas. Fay. Sec. P. T.

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To the Honorable the General Assembly

Your Committee to whom was referred the Considerations of the several Petitions of Barnet, Bygate, & Peacham, Report

that having examined into the matter of said Petitions do find the Grievances therein complained of to be real & that they have in great measure been deprived of the Benefits of Government. Therefore they give it as their opinion that the arrears of the Inhabitants of said Towns be relinquished them that were granted before the Session of Assembly in Oct last, except the Land Tax.

Windsor 20th. 1783

Benjamin Emmons Chairman

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State of Vermont } At a ~~meeting~~ Justices Court of
Windham County ss. Inquiry holden at Newfane in sd.
County on this 18th day of Nov 1789. Present Samuel Fletcher
assistant & Daniel Taylor, & Josiah Fisk Justices of the
Peace in and for said County

The Freemen.

vs.

Thomas Whipple

The Delinquent being brought into Court confessed the
crime alledged against him Whereupon this Court are of
opinion that the delinquent be recognised with sureties in
the sum of one Hundred Pounds to appear before the
next Superior Court to be holden in said County or stand
committed until he shall find sureties

Samuel Fletcher assistant
Daniel Taylor
Josiah Fisk. } Just. Peace.

John Mearse and Philip Butler with
the delinquent, Thomas Whipple recognised in the sum
of £100, each agreeable to the above sentence

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State of Vermont } At Justices Court holden at Townshend
Windham ss } on the 27th Nov. 1783. for the examination of
Johnathan Dunkley of Brattleborough in said County on Complaint
of Edward Smith Constable for a riot; present Samuel
Fletcher, & Josiah Fisk Justices of the Peace in and for the County
aforesaid, the Delinquent appearing & delivered himself up to
the Court as a prisoner and confesses the fact the Court there-
fore ordered the delinquent to find sufficient sureties to be bound
in the sum of one Hundred Pounds for his appearance at the
next session of the Superior Court to be holden in the
County aforesaid and there abide the orders of aforesaid Court
& stand Committed until sureties be compliced with

Samuel Fletcher Assist
Josiah Fisk Just. Peace

William Church with the delinquent Johnathan Dunkly
Recognised in sum of £100. agreeable to the above sentence